Name of the Children – Firoja Shaikh

Door Step School Program- School on Wheels -Non Formal Education

Age – 10, Gender – Female

Location – Crawford Market

Firoja stays with her family on the footpath of Crawford Market area -one of the crowded places in Mumbai. Her Mother is working as a maid and Father takes up any kind of job that is offered to him such as coolie, labour etc. Firoja has two younger siblings and she has to look after them when parents are on work and not around.

Firoja, keeps hunting for scrapped goods early in the morning time and sells them out the scrap dealer before she attends classes on our School on Wheel Bus program. She has taken up this activity on a regular basis as she understands that she needs to support her family due to lack of enough earnings and her family needs are not catered by her parents in full strength.

Post her duty, she joins our classes along with her Two siblings. She seems to be quit interested in academics. Firoja along with her other siblings used to keep starving till the time her mother return home after work in the afternoon, but bow they don't have to wait for food since they have started receiving mid-day -meal on our school on wheel bus. They are pretty happy to have food and it clearly reflects in their body language and physical activities. Her mother and father are too happy to see their children receiving food on time. They thank us for this service and for making their children part of this.

